

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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IMPLEMENTATION OF ARWSP
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the targets set and achievements made under the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) during the last three years and the current year; and

(b) the details of funds released and utilized by each State under the programme during the above period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

(a): Rural drinking water is a State subject. The Government of India supplements the efforts of the States by providing financial assistance under Centrally sponsored Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP). In the year 2005-06, Bharat Nirman was launched for infrastructure development in rural areas to be implemented in 4 years, under which rural drinking water is one of the components. During Bharat Nirman period, 55,067 uncovered habitations and 3.31 lakh slipped-back habitations are to be covered and 2.17 lakh quality-affected habitations are to be addressed for tackling water quality problems. The targets set and achievements made during the last three years and the current year are as under:

(Number of habitations)

Year	Target	Achievements
2005-06	56,270	97,215
2006-07	73,120	107,350
2007-08	155,499	180,788
2008-09	219,782	30,831

as reported by States till September, 2008)

(b) Details of funds released for coverage under ARWSP i.e. for coverage (Normal), DDP areas and for natural calamity, and reported utilization by the States during the above period are at Annex - I.